GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4915
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FOREIGN GOODS SEIZED BY CUSTOMS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the value of foreign goods seized by the Department of Customs during the last three years till 30.11.02 alongwith the locations from where these foreign goods were seized;

(b) the manner in which these foreign goods have been finally disposed by the Government during the last two years; and

(c) the criteria adopted for fixing the prices of the seized goods alongwith the amount received therefrom during the above period?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE(REVENUE)IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE &COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI GINGEE N.RAMACHNDRAN)

(a):The vale of foreign goods seized by the Customs field formations through the country-during last three financial years and current financial year ending 30.11.2002, location-wise is enclosed as per Annexure-I.

(b) As per the existing policy, the foreign goods seized/ confiscated have been dispsed of by means of:-

(i) sale proceeds - through Govt. agencies like National Consumers Cooperative Federation;

(ii) Publication

(iii) destruction if the goods are hazardousdrugs

(iv) releasing the goods to the party on payment of redemption fine, penalty and duty, as imposed by the adjudicating authority;

(v) gold is sold through theauthorized bank/viz State Bank of India.

(c) Fixation of selling price is done by Joint Pricing Committee headed by Senior Custom Officers in cases where noselling price of any confiscated goods is available. The quality, condition and prevailing market rate etc. of the confiscted goods forms the basis of price fixation. The amount received from sale proceeds of seized/confiscated goods for last two financial years are as under:-

YEAR	SALE PROCEEDS (RS. IN CRORES)
2000-2001	336.33
2001-2002	490.56
TOTAL	826.89

ANNEXURE-I

VALUE OF FOREIGN GOODS SEIZED BY CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT: STATE-WISE

(RS. IN CRORES)

NAME OF THE STATES	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003
ASSAM	0.91	1.52	2.53	0.96
DRI	0.04	0.06	0.51	0.73

ANDHRA PRADESH 27.12 42.68 0.13 4.94

(DRI)
HYDERABAD 4.11 1.19 12.39 1.97

BIHAR 25.29 21.16 23.53 9.96
DRI 9.46 7.04 3.82 2.16

CHHATISGARH 0.01 0.09 0.03 0.00

DELHI 75.44 39.07 58.19 10.95
DRI 11.50 17.51 10.96 5.88

GOA(DRI) 0.85 5.09 0.00 0.00
GOA 0.05 0.01 0.00 0.00

GUJARAT 85.39 44.37 210.26 55.39
DRI 704.66 14.12 14.51 2.89

HARYANA(DRI) 11.20 6.02 0.00 0.00

JHARKHAND 20.59 20.40 10.20 4.44

KARNATAKA(DRI) 26.65 25.42 0.39 28.11
KARNATAKA 3.96 1.42 1.49 3.42

KERALA(DRI) 11.34 8.78 2.76 5.16
KERALA 1.97 2.00 2.81 1.87
CALICUT 1.48 0.85 2.92 0.53
TRIVANDRUM 6.69 2.33 2.06 1.56

MADHYA PRADESH 1.32 0.38 0.12 0.12

MAHARASHTRA 136.87 85.26 314.25 38.68
DRI 72.10 29.27 52.52 5.60
PUNE 0.01 0.02 0.00 122.88

MANIPUR 3.18 3.87 3.61 0.53

MEGHALAYA 0.63 0.23 0.83 0.48
DRI 0.01 0.01 0.00 0.00

MIZORAM 0.78 0.96 1.32 1.38

NAGALAND 0.47 0.80 0.44 0.28

PONDICHERRY 0.65 2.25 1.54 0.19

RAJASTHAN 0.74 3.97 0.45 0.08

TAMILNADU	45.11	43.15	29.47	10.43
DRI	148.29	24.29	16.50	25.11
TRIPURA	1.08	1.09	1.33	0.59
UTTAR PRADESH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
DRI	5.36	6.82	2.90	3.70
ALLAHABAD	0.01	0.04	0.16	0.04
KANPUR	0.54	0.19	0.36	0.27
WEST BENGAL	39.57	34.59	38.71	16.85
DRI	59.81	38.47	3.07	30.46
TOTAL RS.:-	1547.09	549.71	880.82	389.63